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Election of members to the Committee on the Rights of the Child

The Ninth Meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child,

Noting that the terms of office of five current experts will expire on 28 February 2003,

Recalling that on 18 November 2002, the amendment to article 43, paragraph 2 of the Convention increasing the membership of the Committee on the Rights of the Child from 10 to 18 experts entered into force, and that, accordingly, at the Ninth Meeting of States parties 13 members will be elected,

1. *Decides* that the procedure to be followed at the Ninth Meeting of States parties to the Convention with respect to the first election of members to the expanded Committee on the Rights to the Child following the entry into force of the amendment to article 43, paragraph 2 of the Convention is to be based on article 43, paragraph 6 of the Convention;

2. *Decides* to hold a single election to fill the 13 vacancies on the Committee;

3. *Further decides* that the terms of four of the 13 members of the Committee elected by the Ninth Meeting of States parties shall expire at the end of two years. Immediately following the election, the names of those four members shall be chosen by lot by the Chairperson of the meeting.

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